

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of  
Jean-Pierre FALASCHI et al.  
Serial No. (unknown)  
Filed herewith  
CLINKER HYDRAULIC BINDER,  
USE AND METHOD FOR MAKING SAME

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to calculation of the filing fee, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Amend claim 5 as follows:

--5. (Amended) Binder according to claim 1, characterized in that it is quasi-free from free residual MgO, at least as it can be observed on X-ray diffraction spectrum for the binder.

Amend claim 6 as follows:

--6. (Amended) Binder according to claim 1, characterized in that it has the following chemical composition by dry weight of the binder :

- lime CaO : 4 to 12%